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In re application of

Rudolf Heinz et al

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For: Piezoelectric Actuator

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AMENDMENT RESPONSIVE TO THE OFFICE ACTION OF JULY 18, 2001

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office action of July 18, 2001, please
amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please substitute the following claims 14, 15, 20 and 27-
31 for claims 14, 15, 20 and 27-31 as previously submitted:

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B' 14. (Amended) In a piezoelectric actuator of the type used
for actuating control valves or injection valves of internal
combustion engines in motor vehicles, the actuator having a
circular, cylindrical piezoelectric actuator body (1) in the
form of a multilayered laminate made up of stacked layers of
piezoelectric material with intervening metallic or
electrically conductive, alternating first and second